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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Army Directive 2018-28 (Implementation of the Military Justice Act of 2016)

1. References:

- a. The Military Justice Act of 2016, Pub. L. 114-328, sec. 5001 et seq. (2017).
 - b. Executive Order 13825 (2018 Amendments to the Manual for Courts-Martial), March 1, 2018.
 - c. Army Regulation 27-10 (Military Justice), 11 May 2016.
2. Purpose. This directive implements the Military Justice Act of 2016 (MJA16) and prescribes policies and procedures for the administration of military justice in the Army.
3. Applicability. This policy applies to the Regular Army, Army National Guard/Army National Guard of the United States, and U.S. Army Reserve. It also applies to Department of the Army Civilians who are involved in any matter that falls under the responsibility and authority of The Judge Advocate General, regardless of whether the individual is a member of the Judge Advocate Legal Service. This directive is applicable during mobilization.
4. Policy. The Army's legal services will incorporate the changes to the Uniform Code of Military Justice, Rules for Courts-Martial, and Military Rules of Evidence resulting from the MJA16 and adjust the administration of military justice accordingly.
5. Implementing Guidance. The Judge Advocate General will issue implementing guidance to execute this policy as soon as possible. This directive and its implementing guidance take precedence over and cancel any conflicting policies or procedures. They will remain in effect until reference 1c is revised to incorporate the policies set forth herein.
6. Proponent. The Judge Advocate General is the proponent for this policy and will incorporate the implementing guidance in the next revision of Army Regulation 27-10 no later than 2 years from the date of this directive.

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7. Rescission. This directive and its implementing guidance are rescinded upon publication of the revised regulation.



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